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Applicant filed a response to the Final Action of September 3, 2008 on November 7, 2008.

Amendments

3a. The instant amended claims will not be entered because the amendment raises a new issue that would require further consideration and search. Claim 5 has been amended to recite specific steps for screening for Parkinsonism inheritance. A search and consideration of the art would need to be carried out to determine the patentability of the instant claim.

Because the claims of November 7, 2008 have not been entered, Applicant's response, as they apply to the claims filed June 18, 2008 will be considered.

As of June 18, 2008, claims 6-9 are cancelled. Claims 1-5, 10, 11 are under consideration.

Maintained Rejections

35 USC § 101

Applicant's arguments filed November 7, 2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant indicates that claim 5 has been amended to address the rejection (Applicant's response, page 4). In response, this is not persuasive as the instant set of claims has not been entered. As such, the rejection as it applies to this issue remains.

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35 USC § 112, 2nd parag.

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35 USC § 102

Applicant's arguments filed November 7, 2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant indicates that claim 4 has been amended (Applicant's response, pages 5-6). In response, this is not persuasive as the instant set of claims has not been entered. As such, the rejection as it applies to this issue remains.

Claims 4, 5 remain rejected.

Claims 1-3, 10, 11 are allowed.

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